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FOIA Case: 83461C
2 January 2019

EMMA BEST
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DEPT MR 23166
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Dear Ms. Best:

This further responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of 1 January 2016 for:

“Records and source code relating to Prosecutor’s Management Information System (AKA Promis, PROMIS, Promis ’82, Enhanced Promis) and derivatives thereof, and the related matter of Insaw Inc. v. United States Government.

“Records relating to the transfer and/or sale of PROMIS and/or PROMIS-derivatives between Robert Hanssen and his Russian handlers and the sale of PROMIS and/or PROMIS-derivatives on the Russian black market, and its alleged use by al-Qaeda and/or Usama bin Laden.”

A copy of your request is enclosed. Your request has been processed under the FOIA and some of the documents you requested are enclosed. Certain information, however, has been deleted from the enclosures. Additional documents will be provided when their processing is complete.

This Agency is authorized by various statutes to protect certain information concerning its activities. We have determined that such information exists in these documents. Accordingly, those portions are exempt from disclosure pursuant to the third exemption of the FOIA, which provides for the withholding of information specifically protected from disclosure by statute. The specific statute applicable in this case is Section 6, Public Law 86-36 (50 U.S. Code 3605).

Personal information regarding individuals has been deleted from the enclosures in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552 (b)(6). This exemption protects from disclosure information that would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. In balancing the public interest for the information you request against the privacy interests involved, we have

determined that the privacy interests sufficiently satisfy the requirements for the application of the (b)(6) exemption.

Since information was withheld from the enclosures, you may construe this as a partial denial of your request. You are hereby advised of this Agency's appeal procedures.

You may appeal this decision. If you decide to appeal, you should do so in the manner outlined below. NSA will endeavor to respond within 20 working days of receiving any appeal, absent any unusual circumstances.

- The appeal must be sent via U.S. postal mail, fax, or electronic delivery (e-mail) and addressed to:

NSA FOIA/PA Appeal Authority (P132)
National Security Agency
9800 Savage Road STE 6932
Fort George G. Meade, MD 20755-6932

The facsimile number is 443-479-3612.

The appropriate email address to submit an appeal is
FOIARSC@nsa.gov.

- It must be postmarked or delivered electronically no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. Decisions appealed after 90 days will not be addressed.
- Please include the case number provided above.
- Please describe with sufficient detail why you believe the denial of requested information was unwarranted.

You may also contact our FOIA Public Liaison at foialo@nsa.gov for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Rd. - OGIS
College Park, MD 20740
ogis@nara.gov
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The Department of Justice (DOJ) has asked that we protect information pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552 (b)(5), (b)(6), and (b)(7)(f). Those deletions have been marked with the code OGA (Other Government Agency). In addition, the DOJ

has asked that we withhold 12 documents (27 pages) in their entirety. Any appeal of the denial of DOJ information should be directed to that agency.

Sincerely,

Paul H
for
JOHN R. CHAPMAN
Chief, FOIA/PA Office
NSA Initial Denial Authority

Encls:
a/s

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January 1, 2016
National Security Agency
National Security Agency
Attn: FOIA/PA Office (DJP4)
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Ft. George G. Meade, MD 20755-6248

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act. I hereby request the following records:

Records and source code relating to Prosecutor's Management Information System (AKA Promis, PROMIS, Promis '82, Enhanced Promis) and derivatives thereof, and the related matter of Inslaw Inc. v. United States Government. Please include any records relating to the transfer and/or sale of PROMIS and/or PROMIS-derivatives between Robert Hanssen and his Russian handlers and the sale of PROMIS and/or PROMIS-derivatives on the Russian black market (blat), and its alleged use by al-Qaeda and/or Usama bin Laden.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Michael Best

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For mailed responses, please address (see note):
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